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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

PITBULL PRODUCTIONS, Inc.,
Plaintiff,
V.

FIRST AMENDED
Philip Bleicher and Devin Wiley
Philip Bleicher and d/b/a Flava Works,
Defendant.

Defendant.

1:05-cv-7593

Plaintiff Pitbull Productions, Inc. ("Pitbull"), by its attorneys Meredith & Keyhani, PLLC, as and for its complaint against Defendants alleges as follows:

#### **THE PARTIES**

- 1. Plaintiff, Pitbull Productions, Inc. ("Pitbull"), is a company organized and registered in Delaware under the laws of Delaware with a place of business at 200 East 116<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2N, New York, New York 10029.
- 2. On information and belief, Defendant, Flava Works is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Illinois with a place of business at 933 Irvine Park, STE C, Chicago, Illinois 60613.

- 3. On information and belief, Defendant, Philip Bleicher and Devin Wiley are the owners of Flava Works.
- 4. On information and belief, 1Distribution is a company organized and exiting under the laws of California with a mailing address at PO Box 69367, Los Angeles, CA 90069 and a place of business at 6625 De Longpre Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028-7804.

# **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 5. The Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1331, §1338, and §1367 as the present case arises under the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1051 et seq., as amended, false designation of origin, trade dress infringement, and unfair competition as well as trademark infringement and unfair competition arising under the common law of the State of New York and as is hereinafter more fully described.
- 6. On information and belief, Flava works, Philip Bleicher, Devin Wiley and 1Distribution actively target the New York market and consumers.
- 7. On information and belief, Defendants Flava works, Philip Bleicher, Devin Wiley and 1Distribution have committed acts of trademark infringement, trade dress infringement and unfair competition in this district.
- 8. On information and belief, Defendants are subject to the jurisdiction of this Court, and venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1391.

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

9. Pitbull repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the preceding paragraphs in this Complaint as though the same were fully rewritten herein.

- 10. Pitbull, established in December 2003, is a company dedicated to homosexual adult entertainment websites and movies.
- 11. On or about April of 2005, Plaintiff put out a video (in the niche arena of gay blatino films) with the trademark "Hot & Creamy".
- 12. Plaintiffs have applied for a trademark, Application Number 78/725,369, with the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the design mark incorporating the terms Hot & Creamy.
- 13. Plaintiffs have common law trademark rights in the word mark "Hot & Creamy" as used in connection with pre-recorded CD's, video tapes, laser disks and DVD's featuring adult entertainment using blatino models.
- 14. Defendant, Philip Bleicher, Devin Wiley and/or Flava Works, website <a href="https://www.cocostore.com">www.cocostore.com</a> may be accessed through Defendants' Domain Name throughout the United States, including the State of New York. Upon information and belief, Defendants have purposely availed themselves to the privilege of doing business within the State of New York by offering and providing services to residents of the State of New York, including this judicial District.
- 15. Defendants began selling videos using the trademark "Hot & Creamy" on or about September 1, 2005.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Defendant Flava Works produces and 1Distribution distributes the film using the "Hot & Creamy" trademark.
- 17. On or about August 19, 2005, Plaintiff became aware of the Defendants' intended sale of the video using the trademark "Hot & Creamy".

- 18. Defendants provide the identical services to the identical market as the Plaintiff's Website, namely, providing homosexual adult entertainment and more specifically providing gay blatino films. Defendants compete directly against Plaintiff.
- 19. Defendant Flava Works Website allows visitors to purchase Defendants' videos directly from Defendants' Website.
- 20. Defendants' use of the mark Hot & Creamy as used is confusingly similar to Plaintiff's trademarks.
- 21. Defendants' use of the Hot & Creamy name in connection with gay blatino films which are in direct competition with Plaintiff's goods is likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception among the relevant trade and public.
- 22. Upon information and belief, Defendants are engaging in this course of action willfully and with full knowledge and awareness of the superior trademark rights of Plaintiff, and with the purpose and intent of confusing the relevant trade and public into mistakenly believing that Defendants' services are associated with, affiliated with, or licensed by Plaintiff.
- 23. Plaintiff has suffered, is suffering, and will continue to suffer, irreparable damage to its reputation, potential goodwill and monies spent towards development and the goodwill accumulated through its trade dress and in its trademark Hot & Creamy unless Defendants are restrained by this Court.
  - 24. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

# COUNT I -TRADEMARK AND TRADE DRESS INFRINGEMENT

25. Plaintiff repeats each and every allegation set forth herein in paragraphs 1 through 24 as through fully set forth herein

- 26. Defendants' aforesaid activities constitute trademark and trade dress infringement under the Lanham Action, including Section 43(a) and New York Common Law as discussed *infra*, of Plaintiff's Trademark rights.
- 27. Defendants' acts complained herein are likely to cause confusion, mistake, and deception of the relevant trade and public who are likely to believe that the services provided by Defendants are related to, connected to, or approved by Plaintiff when in fact they are not.

# **COUNT II – FALSE DESIGNATION OF ORIGIN**

- 28. Plaintiff repeats each and every allegation set forth herein in paragraphs 1 through 27 as though fully set forth herein.
- 29. Defendants' aforesaid activities constitute false designation of origin in violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C § 1125(a).
- 30. Defendants' use of Hot & Creamy is likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception among the relevant trade and public as to the existence of an affiliation, connection, or association between Defendants and Plaintiff as to the origin, sponsorship or approval of the services provided by Defendants.

# <u>COUNT III – COMMON LAW TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT</u> <u>AND UNFAIR COMPETITION</u>

31. Plaintiff repeats each and every allegation set forth herein in paragraphs 1 though 30 as though fully set forth herein.

32. Defendants' aforesaid activities constitute infringement of Plaintiff's common law trademark Hot & Creamy and constitute common law trademark infringement and unfair competition under the common law of the State of New York.

#### WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that:

- A. Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, franchisees, licensees, attorneys and all others in active concert or participation with Defendants, be enjoined and restrained, during the pendency of this action as preliminary injunction and permanently thereafter from:
  - 1. Using the mark Hot & Creamy or any colorable imitation of Plaintiff's Hot & Creamy trademark, in connection with the sale of videos including, but not limited to, use made at Defendants' Website and use within email blasts;
  - 2. Doing any other act or thing likely to, or calculated to, induce the belief that Defendants or Defendants' business is in any way affiliated, connected or associated with Plaintiff, or Plaintiff's business.
- B. Within ten (10) days after the entry of an order for either preliminary or permanent injunction, Defendants be required to notify and direct in writing all individuals to whom the previous email blast was sent that they will no longer be using the Plaintiffs trademark and the sale of any videos using the mark Hot & Creamy will not be delivered and any monies returned;
- C. Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, franchisees, licensees, attorneys and all others in active concert or participation with Defendants be required to deliver up for destruction all labels, letterhead, business cards, signs, prints, packages, wrappers, receptacles, advertisements and the like in their possession bearing the name or

mark Hot & Creamy or any other reproduction, counterfeit, copy or colorable imitation of Plaintiff's Hot & Creamy trademark.

- D. Within ten (10) days after the entry of an order for preliminary or permanent injunction, Defendants be required to notify in writing all publications (whether print or electronic) in which listings, advertisements or other references to Hot & Creamy appear or are scheduled to appear, directing them to immediately cancel any references to Hot & Creamy.
- E. Within ten (10) days after the entry of an order for preliminary or permanent injunction, Defendants be required to remove Hot & Creamy from any hidden source code, including meta tags, encoded at Defendants' Website.
- F. Within ten (10) days after the entry of an order for preliminary or permanent injunction, Defendants be required to notify and direct in writing all publishers of electronic directories, including Internet search engine providers, to remove all references to Hot & Creamy from their public databases, search engine directories and directory assistance where Hot & Creamy appears in connection with Defendants' Website, and to delete all forwarding of "cache memory" or storage mechanisms referencing Hot & Creamy in connection with Defendants' Website and Defendant's videos.
- G. Within ten (10) days after the entry of an order for preliminary or permanent injunction, Defendants be required to notify in writing each of their former and current customers as to the entry of the Court's injunction against using the same mark Hot & Creamy, or any colorable imitation of Plaintiff's Hot & Creamy trademark, in connection with their administrative services.
- H. Plaintiff recover the Defendants' profits, as well as the damages sustained by Plaintiff due to Defendants' infringement of Plaintiff's trademark rights, such amount of profits and damages to be trebled.

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- Defendants be required in accordance with 15 U.S.C § 1116 to file with I the Court and serve upon Plaintiff a report in writing under oath setting forth in detail the manner and form in which Defendants has complied with the terms of the injunction.
- Awarding Plaintiff such damages, including compensatory and punitive J damages, as are appropriate in view of the conduct, including the willful conduct, on the part of Defendants.
- Defendants be required to pay Plaintiff the costs of this action, together K with reasonable attorney's fees and disbursements.
- Defendants be required to deliver any already produced copies of the Hot & Creamy videos to Plaintiff for destruction.
- Plaintiff to have such other and further relief as this Court deems just and M equitable.

### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all issues properly triable by jury in this action.

Dated: October 14, 2005

New York, New York

Respectfully Submitted,

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